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Valentine's Day arrest in Bourgeois

by Steven D. Morehouse Connector Staff

A medical call led to an assault and battery charge for a Bourgeois Hall resident early Saturday, February According to police reports, UMass Lowell police received the call from a Residential Advisor at approximately 2:25 Upon arrival, UMass Lowell Police officer, George Theokas, found a female visiting Bourgeois suffering from a head

injury. The injury may or may not have resulted from a domestic dispute with 18-year-old Bourgeois resident James Allen Bloxson. At this time no domestic assault charges have been filed against Bloxson.

took the visiting woman to Lowell General Hospital, Bloxson reportedly barraged officer Theokas with obscenities-telling the officer to, amongst other things, "go f**k yourself," whereupon he threatened bodily harm with a hockey

stick. According to police reports, after being detained, Bloxson resisted arrest by flailing his body wildly and kicking in all directions.

UML Police officer Timothy Sheehan, in cooperation with While a Trinity ambulance Lowell City Police officers, were called in to assist Officer Theokas with the arrest. The officers used O.C. spray, commonly known as pepper spray, on Bloxson in an effort to detain him. Bloxson has since been charged for one count of disorderly person, two counts of

assault & battery (one with a dangerous weapon) and resisting arrest. UML Police Chief Rowe

"The officers used O.C. spray...to detain him."

commented on the arrest, "we went there on a medical call, we didn't go there to arrest some-

Bloxson was allegedly so difficult to handle that Lowell City Police were forced to transport him via "paddy wagon." According to Rowe, UML Police were undermanned at the time due to the fire in Leitch Hall at approximately 1:11 a.m. where a guest of a resident was arrested for allegedly setting fire to four doors in the residence hall. UML Police also had their hands full helping Leitch Hall residents move to Fox Hall on the night in question. Statements were taken, in relation to the Bloxson incident, from everyone involved and subsequently sent to the D.A.'s office. The Bloxson case is currently pending investiga-

Pawtucket Street towing under investigation

by Brad Duquette Connector Staff

An impending investigation of the 57 vehicles towed from Pawtucket Street has been requisitioned by Chancellor Hogan and the City of Lowell.

According to the Dean of Students, Ellen Duggan, the investigation began on Thursday, January 28; the day succeeding the towing which was also first day of classes, and the opening of the Tsongas Center. "This is probably the worst event that could have happened on this day," said Duggan. "First we tell them [the students] there's a bond fire in the parking lot and to park on the street — then we tow them."

Chancellor Hogan has assigned Vice Chancellor Frederick Sperounis, Associate Vice Chancellor Paul Rahmeier and Dean Krishna Vedula to head the investigation for the university. They are working directly with Chief Rowe of UMass Campus Police and Chief Davis of Lowell Police in order to determine Campus Police involvement, the unexpected enforcement of a winter parking ban and if this could have been dealt with in an practicable fashion.

According to Duggan, Campus and Lowell Police have a collaboration called the U-



Photo by Andrew Sherman

Students watch as their cars are towed.

Plan. The plan enables the university to address misbehavior of students off campus. "If Lowell Police receives a complaint," says Duggan, "they [the Campus Police] call us almost every time and we'll deal with the students." It also allows for

"All the costs of the towing were funded by the university."

constant communication between the two forces. "But the U-Plan was not utilized on the night of the towing," said Duggan. "If Lowell Police would have called, the Resident Advisors could have got on the intercom and made announcements to move the cars - we could have done this a different

All the costs of the towing were funded by the university. Those costs included a \$75 towing charge, a \$10 fee going towards the city and an attempted \$20 dollar storage fee which was eventually dropped. The cars were towed by Demurs Towing Service of Dracut and Lazanjian's Towing of Lowell.

Many cars were damaged in the towing, but the damage will either be fixed by the towing company's garage or paid for in full by the student's insurance.

Tonya Bourne, a residential advisor in Donahue Hall, had her vehicle damaged. "My headlight was scratched," said Bourne, "but I feel bad for those who had real damage to their

Thefts campus-wide causing worry

by Steven D. Morehouse Connector staff

On February 13 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. a wallet was stolen from a purse left in an unlocked faculty office in Read Hall located on UMass Lowell's West campus. This incident is only one in several thefts occurring in the past several months where someone leaves their personal belongings unattended in an unlocked room, whereupon someone takes advantage of the opportu-

According to UML police reports, the purse was left unattended for 15 minutes in the morning, and left at a longer interval later in the day. The owner of the purse soon discovered her wallet had been stolen, losing an undetermined amount of cash, credit cards and personal items. With the current theft, UMass Lowell Police have reposted Security Alert Bulletins throughout the university in an attempt to apprehend one suspect in question. The suspect is described as a 6-foot-tall, Hispanic male in his early twenties with dark curly hair and wearing a black corduroy jacket. As cited in the February 17 edition of The Connector, crimes of opportunity have been numerous in recent months.

On February 11 an individual managed to get away with a camera valued at \$250 from a resident in Sheehy Hall. The suspect would have gotten away with a wallet and a portable CD player if it hadn't been for the intervention of a Sheehy resident. It was reported that this theft may have be linked to the break-ins and thefts reported in 1997 in Fox Hall, the basement of Cumnock Hall and the third floor of Pasteur.

UML Police Chief Rowe strongly encouraged students and faculty members to contact the UML Police at extension 2911 if such a confrontation with a suspect ever presents itself. An ongoing investigation is under way in an effort to apprehend the suspect.

Man arrested for arson in Leitch Hall

by Brad Duquette Connector Staff

Nicholas Michael Hutchinson,

19, of 15 New Meadow Road, Lynnfield, MA, a non-resident, was arrested early in the morning on February 14, in connec-

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New faces join University Police Department

by Sharla D. Collier Connector Staff

Five new employees have recently joined the UMass Lowell Police Department -Captain John J. McCune, Dispatcher Jose Ramirez and officers Steven Eramo, Lisa Bonney and Greg Hudon. All three officers graduated from the Lowell Police Academy on December 19, 1997.

John J. McCune began work on February 2 and comes to UMass Lowell with 15 years of municipal and campus law enforcement experience. McCune, of Wilmington, received a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from UMass Boston in 1984 and a master's degree from Boston University in 1994. He is currently in his second year of a doctoral program at the Massachusetts School of Law in Andover.

McCune has served on both the Wakefield and Boston University police forces. He has also been the assistant to the chief of police in Chelsea and a criminal investigative agent with the U.S. Army Reserve. McCune believes that knowledge is power and has taken over 100 specialized law enforcement courses. "Anything to better myself ... or to better help the people that I work for, is worthwhile," he says. McCune sees the university as "a city within a city" and he enjoys meeting different people each day. McCune's goal is to see the UMass Lowell Police Department become a "shining example to other police departments around the state."

Steven Eramo, of Haverhill, holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from UMass Lowell. He has been employed by the university for two years, working as a residence hall security officer, institutional security officer and dispatcher prior to entering the academy.

Lisa Bonney, of Waltham, worked with both the Waltham and Cambridge police departments before coming to UMass Lowell. Bonney will soon complete a degree in Criminal Justice from Northeastern University.

Greg Hudon, of Dracut, is currently finishing a bachelor's degree in environmental science from UMass Lowell. Hudon, a self-described "people person," enjoys both the "freedom and responsibility" of police work.

Jose Ramirez, originally from Florida, is a specialist in communications and computers. According to Police Chief James W. Rowe, Ramirez's knowledge, as well as training with the U.S.

Marines, make him a "welcome addition" to the university force.

According to Rowe, the process of hiring selection is very rigorous. Applicants must first pass an entrance level test administered by a professional testing service. The top 20 to 25 candidates are then given oral interviews by a board of representatives from both the university and the city of Lowell. Next, they undergo a physical screening, including stress tests and psychological testing. A thorough background investigation is then conducted on each applicant. Those chosen for the job who have not already received academy training (lasting an average of 22 weeks) do so at this time. Upon graduation, they begin a sixmonth probation period, with evaluations at three and five

When you think about your professors, do you think that they live only to teach? That they have no other interests outside of academia? This is simply not true, especially about Dr. William Roberts, chairperson of the English Department. Dr. Roberts has a wife, three children, and two grandchildren, and he enjoys many hobbies including traveling, fishing, boating, skiing, and racquetball.

Professor

by Maggie MacLellan

Connector Contributor

Profile

Dr. Roberts began studying at Ohio State University in Columbus with a focus in premed. His sophomore year he took an English literature elective, and like many college students, he decided to change his major.

After receiving his undergraduate degree, Dr. Roberts taught high school for three years. He later got his Master's degree and taught at a two-year college. From there, his career evolved and he received his Doctorate from Ohio State University. In 1971, he began teaching at Lowell State College, and he has been here ever since.

Two things Dr. Roberts enjoys most about his position are teaching and working with new faculty as he chairs the department. However, he dislikes all the bureaucracy that he has to deal with. He is also disheartened by those who are intolerant of individuality.

Since becoming the department chair five years ago, Dr. Roberts has had a decreased course load to accommodate his increased responsibility, but he misses the classroom time that he used to have.

Dr. Roberts believes that both the city and the university have been very good to him, and he is very bothered when he hears others saying derogatory remarks about either.

When students graduate Dr. Roberts said that he would like to think that they "learned something about life, rather than just the subject matter."

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Tobacco Education Coalition urges Lowell community to be 'heart healthy'

by Sharla D. Collier Connector Staff

On February 13 the Tobacco Education Coalition was set up in front of the Fletcher Street Market Basket in downtown Lowell. In connection with Valentine's Day, the coalition urged shoppers to be "heart healthy" by passing out information on second hand smoke and smoking cessation programs, as well as conducting a smokers survey.

Coalition members were pleased with the turnout. "I was amazed at the number of people who were interested in information on quitting," said Marie Manis, coordinator of the Tobacco Education Coalition. Many shoppers even returned to the table to pick up literature after putting their groceries in their vehicles. Ironically, some

store employees took the time to talk with coalition representatives on their cigarette breaks.

Over 100 surveys were filledout and returned by smokers. Participants were asked such questions as whether or not they wanted to quit and whether they were aware of the effects of second hand smoke. Information from these surveys will be used to determine the needs of smokers and to find out how to best help them.

Manis feels that there are countless smokers who want to quit, but need help doing it. "People need support ... encouragement to stop," she says. The coalition makes an effort to reach out to people of various ethnic backgrounds; representatives were able to interview participants in English, Spanish, Greek, Vietnamese and Khmer.

Casino Night a success

by Brad Duquette Connector Staff

Cumnock Hall opened its doors Thursday night for the biannual Casino Night.

From 7 p.m. to 12 a.m., students were able to gamble on campus in a variety of games. The games consisted of roulette, black jack, craps and Wheel of Fortune. Though some of the games varied from typical Vegas Rules, students still anxiously waited for a chance at the odds. Pedro Florentino, a resident on campus, made an attempt at the black jack tables. "Yea, I lost \$10 dollars," said Florentino, "but I had an hour of good fun."

Luis Soares, also a resident, said, "it was my first time here and I enjoyed playing. It allowed for people to become sociable with individuals that they've never met before."

The overseer of the event and director of the Residential Life program, Larry Siegel, also

believed the program went well. "Anytime you can get 300 UMass students to have fun for four hours without alcohol, it's a huge success," said Siegel.

In order to avoid any major loses, Residential Life members were monitoring how much money individuals were using. Stephanie Kushnieruk, Residential Advisor, said, "they need to realize that this is in moderation only."

All the gambling tables were dealt by members of the Residential Life Program. To make it seem authentic, most dressed in black and white and some even wore a bow ties. Julie McCusker, an RA, said, "the RAs made it extremely believable - we were real dealers."

According to Steve Lynn, an Assistant Residential Director, all the money raised at Casino Night goes into the Residential Life program. It is then divided amongst various activities supporting the campus.

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tion with a fire in Leitch Hall.

According to witnesses, the fire was set at approximately 1 a.m. and was quickly put out by Angelo Ford, a Residential Advisor in Leitch. The fire damage included three burnt doors in the basement and one on the fourth floor.

Residents were escorted over

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to the Multi-Purpose Room in Fox Hall and instructed to wait while the fire department examined the building.

An ongoing investigation, lead by Inspector Melissa Mullen, is under way. The investigation is in cooperation with UML Police, Lowell City Police and the Lowell Fire Department.

There will be more information to follow as the investigation unfolds.

Attention Seniors!!!!

The Chancellor's address will be held in Cumnock Aud. On Wednesday March 4th @ 2pm Tickets purchased in Cumnock Auditorium will receive a 10% discount. Be sure to attend and get your tickets to the week long party of 1998!



WEEKEND BUSSING

National Campus Briefs

compiled by Steven D. Morehouse Connector Staff

Pennsylvania State University

STATE COLLEGE, PA — According to the *Daily Collegian*, alcohol was determined the contributing factor in the death of 21-year-old University student Joseph A. Bettinger early February 14. The cause of death was listed as a "closed head injury due to a fall while intoxicated." Bettinger was found lying on the 400 block of East College Avenue early February 14. The fracture to the left side of Bettinger's head is consistent with a fall to the sidewalk as described by witnesses. Bettinger's blood alcohol content was 0.24 percent, making it two times higher than the legal limit. William Asbury, vice president for student affairs, said the university will continue to educate students about the dangers of binge and underage drinking by providing programs and alcohol-free events.

University of Arizona

TUCSON, AZ — The Arizona Daily Wildcat reported two Tucson men were shot on the night of February 13 when an argument at a UA sorority-sponsored dance escalated into gunfire outside the Park Student Union. University police apprehend two alleged shooters minutes later where they recovered a semi-automatic handgun and a revolver in their vehicle. An off duty UA Police Department officer working at the Delta Sigma Theta dance reported shots fired outside the building at approximately midnight. Witnesses told police they saw two men flee from the scene in an older-model American car. The two victims were taken to University Medical Center, treated for wounds to the leg and foot and released. Representatives of Delta Sigma Theta could not be reached for comment.

Pennsylvania State University

STATE COLLEGE, PA — The Daily Collegian reported on February 12 five people, including three University students who were smoking marijuana with Professor Emeritus Julian Heicklen, will be charged with possession of a small amount of marijuana on State College Police Department territory. Smoking marijuana in front of University Gates three times in four weeks yielded no arrests or drug possession citations from University Police Services. Heicklen placed the protest under jurisdiction of State College police because he wants to be arrested for smoking a "joint," claiming contains marijuana, and nullify all anti-marijuana laws through a proper jury trial. Heicklen plans to move the protest to Bellefonte in front of the courthouse if he isn't arrested soon.

University of California-Berkeley

BERKELEY, CA — The Daily Californian reported that according to documents prepared by a university-retained attorney, UC police officers acted indiscriminately and used excessive force clubbing and using pepper spray on student protesters in Sproul Hall on April 28, 1997. The papers are part of a confidential report written by attorney Gregory Fox at the request of the university's Police Review Board. The report contradicts an internal police review concluding officers acted appropriately. Fox states several police actions violated the department's policy. Police Capt. Guillermo Beckford said the unexpected demonstration caught police "off-guard," that officers acted "within policy" in their-use of force against the students.

Harvard University

CAMBRIDGE, MA — The Harvard Crimson reports the family of Trang Phuong Ho filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the University on February 18. Ho, a junior, was stabbed 45 times by her roommate, Sinedu Tadesse in 1995. Tadesse hung herself after fatally wounding Ho. The suit charges the University, as well as Dunster House Master Karel F. Liem, former Dunster House senior tutor Suzi Naiburg and Ho's entryway tutor David B. Lombard, with negligence. The suit states the University owed Ho the "duty to maintain a reasonably safe and secure environment," and Ho's death "was proximately caused by the failure of the defendants to have adequately monitored Tadesse's situation and progress after having knowledge that she was troubled, and their failure to inform [Ho] of Tadesse's troubles." Liem insists, "there were no warning signs of any kind." No monetary damages have been specified.

Stanford University

STANFORD, CA—According to *The Stanford Daily*, five women, four former SU students, have been awarded \$300,000 in one of the largest settlements from allegations of housing discrimination towards Asian-Americans. A U.S. District Judge prevented the case from going to trial by signing a consent decree. Dianne Chen, Teri Chew, Kim Chiu, Lori Sakoda and Carrie Tzou charged property manager Janette Hybl and her parents—contended while she took them on a tour of the three-bedroom house, Janette Hybl commented she had, "good, white American applicants" and "we white people need to stick together." Hybl then chased the plaintiffs from her property yelling, "go back to your country," hitting their car twice. The Hybls have since sold the house on Eighth Avenue in Menlo Park.

University of California-Berkeley

BERKELEY, CA—According to a report from the Daily Californian, the federal government sites evidence UC Berkeley illegally discriminated against a white male employee. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission found the university's Department of Housing and Dining Services spun a web of lies explaining why it passed up Ken Crawford, a white male who is an on-call manager with the dining department, for promotion. Crawford said a lesser-qualified black male with no management experience was hired instead of him. The EEOC took up his case and conducted an investigation ending in April 1997. Crawford said he does not want to be perceived as someone who is against the rights of minorities, "I think we need to do a lot more as a society to promote diversity, but race (and) gender discrimination is not an option."

University of South Florida

TAMPA, FL — According to *The Oracle*, two fraternities have been temporarily suspended from campus after an altercation at the Campus Recreation Center on February 1. The fight, lasting approximately four to six minutes, occurred during an intramural basketball game where no students were arrested. The Lambda Chi Alpha and Sigma Chi fraternities were officially deactivated February 11. The organizations will lose the privileges granted to an organization registered with the Office of Student Activities until August 7. University Police Officer Karen Pierce commented on the sentence, "I am in favor of the decision that was made. It shows consistency...it shows zero tolerance."

Vandalism

by Mike Labrecque Connector Staff

According to residents of the second floor of Bourgeois, they are constantly surrounded by common area damage. They are reminded of it every time they walk into the bathroom. It doesn't matter where they stand, or which way they look, the damage stares them in the face and screams its name: "Vandalism!"

The Bourgeois second floor bathroom is the worst on campus; but Bourgeois residents take heart. According to Andrew Scriber-Maclean, assistant director of Residential Life, over Spring Break your bathroom is going to be redone.

The cost of replacing seven stalls cost \$6,000. The price includes new walls and doors, graffiti resistant tile, and hardware and labor. The tile is more expensive than typically used by the university, but it pays for itself in money it saved in repainting. The parts salvaged from the present stalls can be reused in other building on campus. One hundred and fifty stalls need replacing, only thirty to forty can be replaced this semester.

The bathrooms aren't the only places where vandalism is a problem; light covers that should last 20 years are broken, walls are kicked in, windows are broken, furniture is dismantled and bulletin boards are stolen and smashed. "We can't possibly get our arms around the problem fast enough," said Scribner-Maclean. He also admits, "this year is no worse than most and better than some in recent memory."

Upperclassmen will remember the dorm deposit fee: fifty dollars that went into the dorm damage fund. Any funds not spent on maintenance, deemed excessive, are refunded.

Approximately \$100,000 went into this fund every year, and \$35,000 was used in repairing residential halls. This year is about average.

Two years ago, the reimbursement of extra funds was eliminated; the cost of the issued checks was more than the price to fix the damage. The university added \$35,000 to Residential Life's budget to take care of vandalism among other damages. In order of priority,

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OPINION / EDITORIAL

US and the Middle stepping over the line?

by Nick Ludden

OPINION

The recent actions of the US against Iraq greatly abhor me. In my eyes this is no more then a superpower bulling a third world nation in to selling their oil cheep. After all, money is what is fueling this conflict. Why else would the US be willing to spend so much money and risk American troops? The US has proven this by all of its previous actions.

The original conflict with Iraq was in defense of our economic friend, Kuwait who the US already selling us their oil in the quantity and for the price the US wanted. The US saw its investment threatened, so the US intervened with military action. The US hid behind the facade of humanitarian aid and global justice, but the US was just out to defend our wallets.

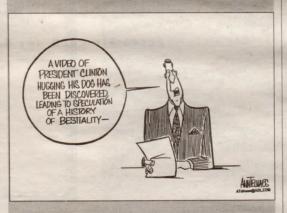
Again later, only a year ago, the US offered Iraq a food-for-oil deal. This deal was set up by the UN for the purpose humanitarian aid to the Iraqi people by providing them with essentials for survival. In the deal, the US offered Iraq food valuing only half the market

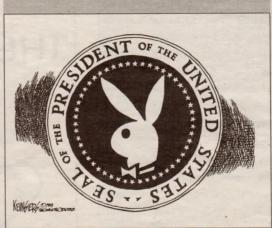
value of the proposed quantity of oil. Iraq defiantly stood up against this injustice refusing the deal despite the consequences. The message they were trying to send was that they could not be bullied in to submission. The US responded to this by firing missals at Iraqi troops aiding one of two warring factions of Kurds in the north of Iraq. The justification was that they were defending the Kurds as outlined in the treaties of the gulf war, although this was disputed by many international law experts who contended that the government of Iraq was not oppressing the Kurds since they were actually supporting on faction, and therefore the US had no jurisdiction to take action.

This time around the propaganda is thicker as the justification grows weaker. The motivations are unchanged and the greed continues to grow. Military action is imminent. The story of the US inspections officers not being allowed in sensitive areas do not justify acts of war. Iraq was not trying to bar Americans in general, just the ones who were known to be spies. This fact is not refuted by the US, they openly admit that members of the inspection team worked for intelligence during the gulf war. I do not think it outra-

geous for the Iraqis to be concerned that foreign spies were attempting to infiltrate sensitive military installations, yet this is being used as justification to go to war. I think this makes it obvious that the US is seriously overstepping its bounds, and casts serious doubts on it's motivations. As a citizen of the US I can not condone these unprovoked acts of aggression. I can not stand behind my country when it is blatantly oppressing a third world nation in the name of profit. I support the nations in the international community who are crying out against the US. Russia, China, Egypt, Libya, Jordan, Syria, Turkey and many other nations have all openly denounced the US's aggression. Criticism has flared domestically, as the presidents cabinet try to rally support across the nation, they are met with resistance and protest. I think that the use of military force would be self destructive for the US. It would cause their image to be tarnished in both the eyes of the world as well as the eyes of it's people. So join me in denouncing the position of the US against Iraq, let the leaders know that this is not the will of the people, and that this behavior will not be tolerated.

Presidential Saga Continues







Are my action figures telekinetic, or is it me?

by the Caring Psychic Student Advisor (Michael Carmody)

OPINION

Dear Caring Psychic Student

I think I've had a psychic experience, or else I'm just going nuts. I've noticed recently that some of my Star Wars action figures have been changing positions without moving them. For example, I always have my Return of the Jedi action figures lined up a certain way, except this morning, I woke up and I looked over at them, and Princess Leah wasn't where she was supposed to be; she was standing in front of Boba-Fet the bounty hunter, with her hands on his throat. I can only think of two possible explanations. Either I became telekinetic in my sleep, and caused the action figures to move, or the action figures came to life on their own and are having trouble getting along. Or maybe, I'm just hallucination. Which is it? Can you help me?

Signed "Flabbergasted in Fox" Dear "Flabbergasted"

Fortunately for you, my special psychic crystal version of the "Millennium Falcon" has given me the explanation of your dilemma. You'll find, if you check your action figures

will be exactly where she should be. the reason you saw her in a different position is because your own consciousness has changed. Don't worry, we're not talking about any inter-dimensional shift or anything, it's actually more of an organic manipulation. You see, I sense that your conniving roommates have conspired to replace you prescription allergy medication with 2000 mg. tablets of the sleep hormone melatonin. This means when you thought you were awake and looking at your action figures you were actually seeing the scene through a sleep induced catatonic stupor. Though this doesn't qualify you as an actual psychic with telekinetic powers (moi), if you could maintain the dosage and get your friends to load you up on concentrated amounts of sleep hormone (disclaimer!-the CSPA advises against sleep hormone abuse), you may be able to view your Star War action figures in any combination and/or positions that your demented, geeky, miniature, unconscious mind dreams up.

later today, that Princess Leah

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Is democracy still alive?

by Mike Labrecque

OPINION

I read something in the news a while back that really bothered me... it made me think about where we stand as right now as a country. We celebrate diversity in all of our walks of life, celebrate minorities whenever we can, and try our best to make everything look like its equal, like we aren't giving Joe Black-Guy or Joe Oriental or Joe Homosexual or Joe/Jane Anybody-Else the sticky end of the stick. This is great, its wonderful how we do things in this country, how we give everyone the illusion of a fair chance. I think things were better before, when We The People meant something, when we lived in a truer democracy. When if someone was protesting a government action, the people next to him wouldn't say "If you don't like it, get out [of the county]" as one person is reported to have said to a group of people protesting the possible use of force in Iraq.

What does that mean? "If you don't like it, get out"? I don't like the fact that I will probably never be able to collect on the Social Security that comes out of my every

You will never hear me say "If you don't like it, leave." You will never hear me say "I'm not lis-

tening to you."

pay check. Should I move to Canada? I think the public education system of this county is falling apart.
Should I move to Mexico? I don't like the way that the government handles its money. Should I move to Iraq? There are many things I don't like about the way this country operates. Political figures rise and fall in accor-

dance with the economy, so you could almost say that the stock market runs this country. We The People has become We The Consumers. Government has gone from the loose power that it was intended to be, to an invasive entity that you really can't get away from. Should I leave for somewhere else in the world? Like Algeria, where hundreds of people are murdered daily? How about Ethiopia? Or any of the other third world countries?

I live in a country that is supposed to be a democracy. I live in a country where I should be able say whatever I want to about anything, including cows. I live in a country that is supposed to celebrate the individual rights of every man, woman and child, rights to worship as they please, live as they please, and even hoard guns as they please (its that darned second amendment again.) as the people in Waco, Texas

were unable to. Find me another country that has those supposed to's, and I'll move there, but in the mean time, can we try to turn those supposed to's into facts? I've lived with the ideologies of equal rights, human rights, fairness, justice and the American way for twenty years, I'm watching certain of those ideologies slip from the focus of this nations government. Are we in Iraq defending human rights? In my eyes we are the ones taking human rights from the Iraqi people. We have stopped them from trading with the rest of the world, keeping from them many of the things we take for granted, because we don't like Saddam Hussien. If we were the defenders of human rights, as we say we are, we would be in Algeria, stopping Islamic Fundamentalists from massacring entire towns because the people in them aren't Islamic

Fundamentalists. If you don't agree with me, I understand. I think that is great, because I love to argue, its a right given to me in expressly in the Bill of Rights. Its also given to people who don't agree with me, and I encourage you to take advantage of that. You will never hear me say, "If you don't like it, leave." You will never hear me say "I'm not listening to you." My door, my mind and my ears are always open to new arguments, new points of view, new ideologies as well as the old. That is what this country is based on... the equality of ideas. Yours equal with mine equal with Joe Anybody-Else. If you don't like it....

What do you think of cloning? Let me know:

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send mail before friday.;)

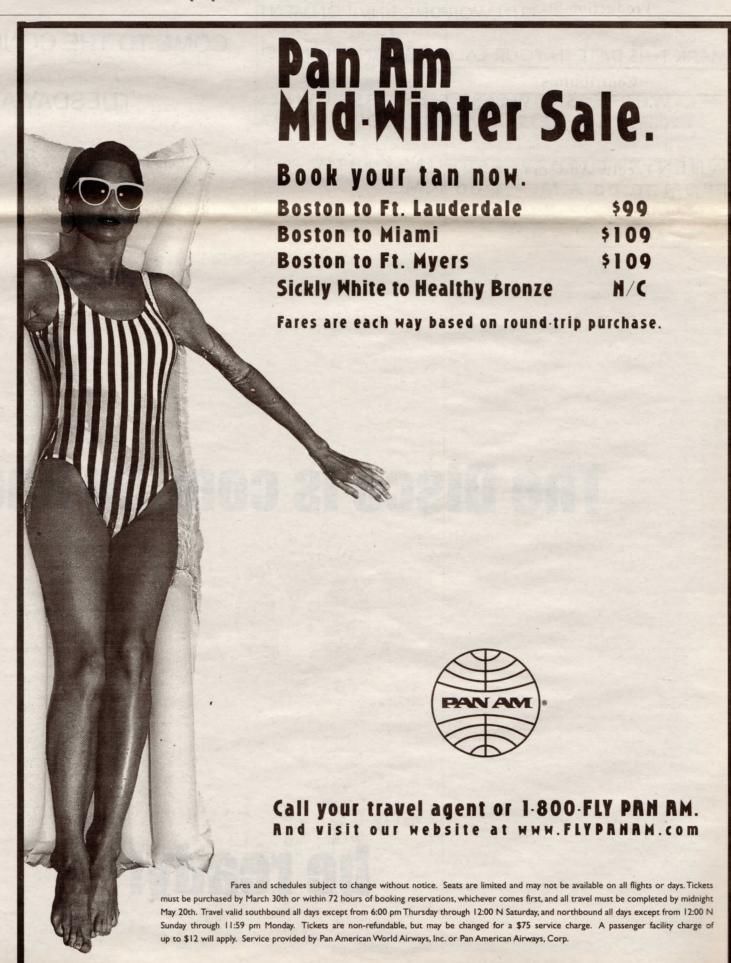
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"Vandalism" cont'd from pg. 3.

Residential Life replaces mattresses every seven years, desks every twenty and lounge furniture every fifteen. The money used for maintaining common areas slows the replacement cycle of dorm room furniture.

"I'd like to find out who is doing these things," an anonymous student stated. "This is my home, and it's probably theirs too. If they shit in the shower at their own house, rip the doors off of their bathroom and draw on the walls, that's great. They should go home and do it at their house, and stay out of mine." Residential Life believes that approximately ninety five percent of the damages are caused by less than one hundred students. The remaining five percent can be catorgerized as accidents or one time offend-



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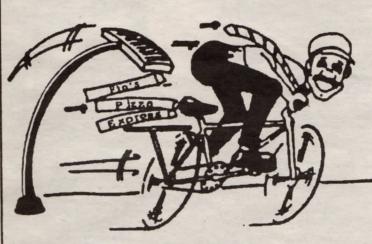
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TERTAINMEN

Sandler struggles in 'The Wedding Singer'

by Steven D. Morehouse Connector Staff

I have to say, "The Wedding Singer" is without a doubt one of Adam Sandler's better endeavors, but as a romantic comedy it falls a bit flat. This is not to say I don't like Adam Sandler—quite the opposite—I appreciate what he does, it's just difficult watching him try to make a "When Harry Meet Sally" with his brand of humor. It's as though he's attempting something beyond his ability. Adam Sandler attempts to combine comedy with heart-felt sincerity, but unfortunately it looks a little too labored for the "Saturday Night Live" veteran from New Hampshire.

Adam Sandler has made the sometimes bumpy transition from his stint on "Saturday Night Live" to motion pictures with a string of hits such as "Billy Madison," "Happy Gilmore" and "Bulletproof." In his current movie, Sandler plays Robbie Hart (Heart-get it?), a hopeless romantic wedding singer engaged to be married in this vague romantic-comedy period piece set in an urban-suburbia 1985.

The film opens with Sandler performing his rendition of Dead or Alive's "You Spin Me Around (Like a Record)" at a wedding reception where he is clearly king, thwarting destructive tendencies of a jealous brother (Steve Buscemi), thus saving the day and quite possibly a marriage. This is where Sandler looks most comfortable in a role demanding high confidence and little acting ability.

Letterman favorite Drew Barrymore plays Julia, for some reason dressed like a grundgedout milkmaid, who finds herself flustered by her first day as a banquet waitress when she meets the far-too-nice Robbie. Sandler's character takes a turn for the worse when his fiancée (Angela Featherstone) is a noshow on his wedding day and he subsequently tail-spins into a bout of self-pity. It is now Julia who must save her fallen comrade. Pulled out of self-pity by helping Julia with her own wedding plans, the two characters easily become the best of friends.

What little suspense the movie offers is contemplating exactly when the two will realize they love each other...and how she will break-up with her cliché

antagonist fiancée Glenn (atrociously underplayed by Matthew Glave). The movie's redeeming traits lie in the year of the story. If you don't remember such 1985 references as A Flock of Seagulls, the Cure, Culture Club, Blake Carrington, Dallas, Miami Vice, or The Sugarhill Gang, then you probably won't get most of the jokes (or songs) in the movie.

I do remember those timeswith Adam Sandler in some shining musical performances and '80s retro, I couldn't help but enjoy this movie as a guilty pleasure...especially when I see Matthew Glave dressed as '80s cheesy Don Johnson driving a DeLorean listening to Jan Hammer. Watching a geriatric Billy Idol was a bit much for me, but without those memories, you have to depend solely on Sandler's performance and a predictable ending. For an Adam Sandler fan I do recommend "The Wedding Singer" for a matinee showing, as a romantic comedy I give it a B/C. Sorry goat.

Sandler will star next in "The Waterboy," opposite Kathy Bates ("Titanic"). "The Wedding Singer" [PG-13]



Photo by Kimberly Wright/New line Cinema Adam Sandler stars as Robbie in new Line Cinema's romantic come-

running time: 95 minutes Starring: Adam Sandler, Drew

dy, The Wedding Singer.

Barrymore Grade: B/C

'Chicago' at the Colonial Theater

by Melissa Vallerand Connector Staff

On February 12th I took a trip to the Colonial Theater in Boston to see the Broadway Musical, "Chicago." The trip included a bus ride to and from the theater, as the trip was organized by Student Activities. Several individuals took advantage of the convenience. Others substituted their means of transportation but, by and large, the

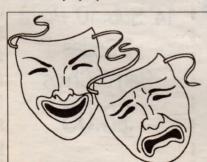
trip was a success. Revolving around themes of selfishness, greed, lust and obsession, the play is quite bold. It goes to great lengths to make powerful statements, but yet it does it in such a way that tricks the audience. A mixture of witty remarks, choreographed dance moves and a variety of songs, including "All That Jazz" and "My Own Best Friend," lifted the play up a notch from

"Chicago" is a representation of fictitious scenes from the late roaring twenties. Roxy (Charlotte d'Amboise) is the main character. In an attempt to cheat on her sweet but pathetic, Amos (Ron Orbach), she learns that sometimes the grass isn't always greener on the other

Ultimately, she murders her man-in-waiting. With the subsequent court case, and news reporters knocking on her door, she's more than overwhelmed.

This is when the subplot comes in. Velma Kelly (Lisa Leguillou) is jealous of all the attention paid to Roxy. Hence, she fights diligently and stubbornly for her piece of the pie. By the end, the competition is settled and everyone lives happily ever after.

"Chicago" is definitely an involved musical.



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Pistoleros misfire

by Jennifer Ross Connector Staff

The Pistoleros are four guys: Mark Zubia on guitar and vocals, Thomas Laufenberg on guitar and vocals also, Scott Andrews on bass and Gary Smith on drums having a good time. And apparently, their having fun is also productive; they have a song on the radio. But, by the sounds of their CD, "Hang Onto Nothing," that will be their only hit.

Upon first listening, I thought to myself, all of the songs sounce the same! It is true several songs, "Hang Onto Nothing" and "Wild Love Coast" are cousins to those of the country genre, but that is not necessarily a redeeming quality.

There are four songs worth listening to: "My Guardian Angel," The Hardest part," Just to Hold on to You" and Nothing Lasts Forever."

"My Guardian Angel" is on the radio, and with good reason. The intro. incorporates trumpets along with the usual drums and guitar. The chorus has a tune that would have been easy to sing-along with. The only thing that prevented me from breaking into song was the fact that it is in Spanish, or perhaps Portuguese. This in no way detracts from the song; as long as you don't listen too closely

"Just to Hold Onto You" is a modern love song, as the vocalist says, "I would be a man, I would swallow my pride just to



The Pistoleros. I to r: Gary Smith, Thomas Laufenberg, Mark Zubia,

you can barely tell it's in another language.

Scott Andrews and lawrence Zubia.

"The Hardest Part" and "Nothing Lasts Forever" are especially appealing because they combine common aphorisms and catchy tunes. The singer says, "the hardest part is starting over..." which can be said about most anything. "Nothing Lasts Forever" speaks hold onto you..."

The remainder of the songs were very repetitive: both within themselves and when compared with other songs on the album. I wouldn't buy the album, but I would listen for the song on the

Big talent in the "Big Show" -Patel, Dumond and Jolly Receive Top Awards

by Justin Belanger Connector Staff

The annual juried student art show, "The BIG Show," opened on February 4 in the Dugan Gallery with a reception and awards ceremony on February 11.

Each student was allowed to submit up to four works. Twenty four students were represented by over fifty pieces of high quality artwork. The show amply demonstrates the diversity of the art program at UMass Lowell and includes drawing, painting, monotypes, sculpture, photography, paper-making, graphic design, illustration, computer imaging and mixed media installation.

Faculty awarded "Best of Show" to Kekul Patel for her richly colored monotypes, photo-collage, and skillfully handled oil painting. Kekul holds a degree in architecture from India and will be completing her fine arts degree at UML in June.

Two "Awards for Excellence" were presented. Claire Dumond, a sophomore fine arts major and

Honors Program student, was selected for her intricately detailed handmade paper artist's book, photo portrait and painterly acrylic landscape and stilllife. Claire is also doing a her very textural handmade paper artist's book. Erica is a junior transfer student to the Art Department who will be majoring in painting.

Other highlights of the show



Photo courtesy of the Art Department Award winners congratulated by Art Department chairperson, Jim Coates. I to r: Kekul Patel, Claire Dumond, Jim Coates and Erica Jolly.

practicum in gallery work this semester.

Erica Jolly was chosen for her monotypes which integrate human form with pattern, and



Photo courtesy of the Art Department Michele Auger, BA Art History major and past Big Show award winner, admires a piece by Ellen Mullane at the reception for the "Big show."

include Ryan Luther's "Black Wall" installation and photos, Ellane Mullane's paintings and monotypes, Mark DiPietro's birch forms, Amanda Dacey's intricately detailed gouache paintings and Michelle Loto's computer generated graphic design.

The students in the show are
Justin Belanger, Patricia Butler,
Joyce Cadena, Alissa Curcuru,
Amanda Dacey, Mark DiPietro,
Liz DiRosa, Clarie Dumond,
Jayne Glennon, JaYoung Hong,
Erica Jolly, Shannon Lee
Laroche, Michelle Loto, Ryan
Luther, Erica Max, Chris
McCarthy, Ellen Mullane, Kekul
Patel, Eric Stevenson, Eric Tata,
Donna Tulley, Marc Van
Norden, Keith Weaver and
Stephanie Zouzas.

The show continues until February 25.

Inside Entertainment

by Katie Hennessy Connector Staff

The boys of "Good Will Hunting" don't need a script to make their love lives interesting. Ben Affleck has been dating Gwyneth Paltrow, the exfiancé of Brad Pitt. Paltrow is best friends with Winona Ryder, who has been linked with Matt Damon, who dated Minnie Driver and Claire Danes. Who's next?

VH1's popular show Pop Up Video has once again been forced to burst their bubble after singer Billy Joel complained of their use of his "Keeping the Faith." The show mentioned that former wife Christie Brinkley had not kept the faith with Billy, and their daughter had been getting teased.

A noticeable snub in the Academy Awards nominations was Leonardo DiCaprio for his role as Jack Dawson in "Titanic." DiCaprio, 23, was nominated as best supporting actor for the 1993 film "What's Eating Gilbert Grape?"

A new poll by movie-goers rates the all-time Most
Romantic Couples. Receiving the most votes were: Kate
Winslet and Leonardo
DiCaprio in "Titanic," Meg
Ryan and Tom Hanks in
"Sleepless in Seattle," and
Demi Moore and Patrick
Swayze in "Ghost."

In further proof that the grunge is dead, **Pearl Jam's** latest album "**Yield**" was unable to knock the soundtrack to "**Titanic**" out of the top spot on the pop music charts.

Everyone's favorite TV lesbian Ellen DeGeneres has reason to doubt her status at ABC. The network has put her lowrated show, "Ellen" off the air for six weeks to make room for a new comedy called, "Two Guys, a Girl and a Pizza Place."

The '80s are back in "The Wedding Singer" staring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore. The nostalgia continues from last year's hit, "Grosse Point Blank," starring John Cusack and Minnie Driver.

Helen Hunt's recent Academy Award nomination for Best Actress could lead her leave TV's "Mad About You." She is currently in contract negotiations.

Academy Award winner Robert DeNiro was questioned in Paris by French police involving a prostitution ring. DeNiro has not been formally charged and voluntarily gave the information.

'70's hair queen Farrah
Fawcett was assaulted by her
boyfriend, writer-director
James Orr in LA. The violence
was allegedly caused by her
refusal of his wedding proposal.

'Spirit Level' soars

by Justin Belanger Connector Staff

The international student photography show, "Spirit Level," opened to an enthusiastic audience on February 4 in the University Gallery.

Over 50 students, alumni, fac-

the UMass Lowell Art
Department organizer of the
exhibition and one of the international faculty who led the
summer 1996 Eastern European
workshop, gave an informal
gallery talk about the traveling
photo adventure.

Plans are in the works to continue linkages with the Swiss



Photo courtesy of the Art Department Spirit Level artists/alumni. I to r: Wendy Littley, Erin Crowley, Carol Sutherland and Arno Minkkinen.

ulty, friends and members of the press gathered to admire the wide range of expression present in the 100+ works in the

Professor Arno Minkkinen,

and Finnish schools that participated with UMass Lowell in this exciting photo experience.

The show continues through February 25.

Top of the Charts

compiled by Katie Hennessy Connector Staff

Box Office Top 10

- 1. "Titanic" \$23 million
- 2. "The Replacement Killers" \$8 million
- 3. "Good Will Hunting" \$6.8 million
- 4. "Blues Brothers 2000" \$ 6.1 million
 5. "Great Expectations" \$5.3
- million
 6. "As Good As It Gets" \$5
- million
 7. "Spice World" \$4 million
- 8. "Wag The Dog" \$3.4 million 9. "Desperate Measures" \$3 million
- 10. "Deep Rising" \$2.5 million

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc.

Top Ten Pop Albums

- 1. Soundtrack "Titanic," Sony Classical
- 2. Pearl Jam "Yield," Epic
- 3. Celine Dion "Let's Talk About Love," 550 Music
- 4. Spice Girls "Spiceworld," Virgin
- 5. Usher "My Way,"
- LaFace/Arista
 6. Matchbox 20 "Yourself or
- Someone Like You,"
 Lava/Atlantic
- 7. Backstreet Boys "Backstreet Boys," Jive 8. Savage Garden "Savage
- Garden," Columbia 9. Mase "Harlem World," Bad
- Boy/ Arista
 10. Will Smith "Big Willie Style," Columbia

Source: Billboard Feb. 21, 1998

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show.

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reception: Wednesday, March 4, 2 - 4 p.m.
gallery talk: March 4, 3:30 p.m.

The Art Department of the University of Massachusetts Lowell is pleased to host an exhibition of richly colored, intricately detailed paintings by contemporary pop artist, Stephen Smalley. His images, often auto-biographical in nature, chronicle his fascination with the heroes and fallen idols of American culture of the past half century. From Mickey Cochrane to Madonna, he presents us with the joys, quirks, romance, and loss of innocence that we all share as individuals and a nation. While inspired by both pop style and iconography, his interests go back to memories deeply rooted in childhood and adolescence. The artist states:

"As a devotee of the playing fields and popular culture, particularly baseball and rock music luminaries, I continue to develop imagery which evokes associations with "jock" and "rock" subcultures.

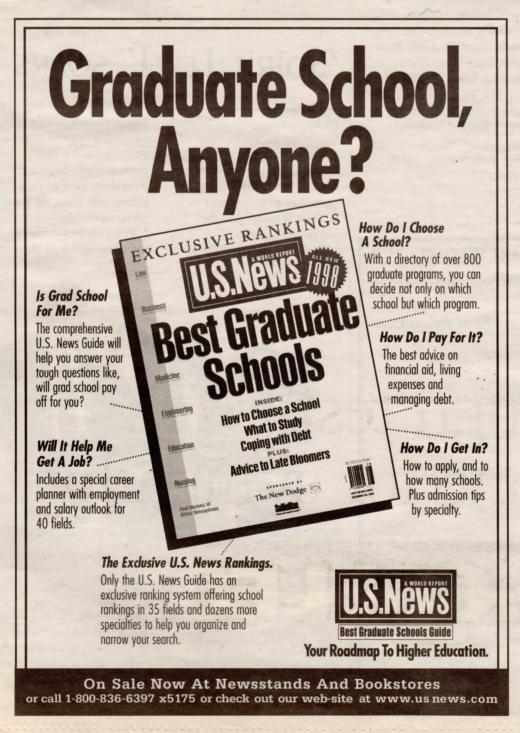
Poignantly, my interest in art might be traced to the long-ago when

as a young boy I would copy images found on baseball cards. Rainy days encouraged me to render in pencil the likenesses of Ted Kluszewski and Bill Bruton, seasoned performers on the diamonds around the National League.

I still remain most enthusiastic about the '53 Topps series - painted images, not high tech photos, somehow nicer, somehow richer. Baseball cards, as do Persian and Indian miniatures, ignite the creative spark; I look for such joys to continue."

Smalley holds degrees in art from Massachusetts College of Art, Boston State College and a Doctorate in Art Education from Penn State University. He has an impressive exhibition record, including solo and group shows in Cheshire, England as well as being a noted lecturer, panel participant, and art educator. He travels extensively and leads courses, workshops, and excursions to Maine, Canada, and England for Bridgewater State College, where he has been a Professor in the Art Department since 1972 and its chairperson from 1972-84.

Gallery Hours: Tuesday through Friday 12 - 3 p.m. For information call Brenda Pinardi (978)934-3491. The University Gallery is coordinated by the Art Department and sponsored by the College of Fine Arts. Receptions.and Artists' Talks are funded by the student art club, the Art co-op, and the Honors Program of UMass Lowell.



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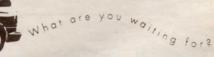
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March 2 - March 6 Women's History week

Campus Events:

Tue. & Wed. Feb. 24 & 25
"South Central"
playing at Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.

Free admission to all students

Tue. Feb. 24 **Room Selection Discussion**Fox Multipurpose room
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24 & 25
Recruiting for Orientation Leaders
Southwick Commuter Lounge
Noon

Tue. Feb. 24
Eating Disorders Screening
Counseling Center
McGauvran 334
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24 Scholarship Meeting University College McGauvran 334 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24
Meet the Connector Staff
South Cafe
5 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24
Werewolf Game
Master's Gaming Konnection
Fox 604
6 p.m. - midnight

Wed. Feb. 25
Ash Wednesday Mass
Catholic Ministries
O'Leary 222
12:10 p.m.
Catholic Center
4:30 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 25 Spaghetti Supper Catholic Ministries Catholic Center 5:30 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 25
Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)
Fox Multipurpose room
5 - 10 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 25 Fine Arts Career Fair Durgin Hall

Thu. Feb. 26 African-American Showcase ASAO Cumnock Auditorium

Thu. Feb. 26 Army Information Table 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

8 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 27 Ski Trip to Loon Mt sponsored by Activities Commission

Fri. Feb. 27 Japanese Animation Night Fox 501 7 p.m. - midnight

Sat. Feb. 28 Northeast Regional Science Bowl Chemistry Department 11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Sun. Mar. 1

Protestant Worship Service
Fox 301
6 p.m.

Sun. Mar. 1 Catholic Mass Fox 301 9 p.m.

Mon . Mar. 2 - Fri. Mar. 6 Senior Portraits Cumnock Auditorium

Mon. Mar. 2 Career Services Information Booth McGauvran 2nd Floor 10 a.m. - noon

Mon. Mar. 2 SGA Mandatory Club Budget request Packets Available

Mon. Mar. 2 Student Leader Recognition Award Applications Available at SICs

Tue. & Wed. Mar. 3 & 4
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Tue. Mar. 3 Clothesline Project O'Leary Mezzanine 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tue. Mar. 3 Alternative House Presentation O'Leary 222 3 p.m. Tue. Mar. 3 Women's History Week Info. Fair McGauvran 2nd Floor 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Wed. Mar. 4
Chancellor's Address to Seniors
Cumnock Auditorium
2 p.m.

Wed. Mar. 4 Women's Lives Readings McGauvran 334 1 p.m.

Thu. Mar. 5
Health Fair
Cumnock Auditorium
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thu. Mar. 5 Resume writing Workshop Career Services Southwick 200 2:30 p.m.

Thu. - Sat. Mar. 5 - 7
"Picnic"
Off Broadway Players
Mahoney Auditorium
8 p.m.
Sun. Mar. 8
2 p.m.

Meetings:

Tue. Feb. 24 & Mar. 3 The Connector Fox 426 6:30 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24 Activities Commission Fox 604 4:30 - 6 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 18 RHA Fox 501 6 - 8 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 24 CSO Fox 301 5 - 6 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 25 Task Force McGauvran 334 5 - 6 p.m.

Sports: Varsity (Home Games)

Fri. Feb. 27

Ice Hockey
Tsongas Arena

→ Boston College @ 7 p.m.

Sat. Mar. 7
Ice Hockey
Tsongas Arena
**S New Hampshire @ 7 p.m.

Recreational Sports:

Tue. Feb. 24 Lifeguard Training Costello Pool \$165 fee

Wed. Feb. 25 Racquetball Doubles Entries Close

Wed. Feb. 25 Adult CPR Costello Classroom \$25 fee

Wed. Feb. 25 Community CPR Costello Classroom \$35 fee

Wed. Feb. 25 Community First Aid & Safety Costello Classroom \$50 fee

Sat. Feb. 28 Adult Swimming Lessons Costello Pool \$25 fee

Sat. Feb. 28
Family Instruction Swimming
Costello Pool
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Mon. Mar. 2 Mid-Term Triathlon Entries Open

Wed. Mar. 4 Walleyball Entries Close

Wed. Mar. 11 Standard First Aid Costello Classroom \$25 fee

Off Campus Events:

Wed. Feb. 25
The National Eating Disorders
Screening Program
Middlesex Community College
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Sun. Mar. 1 DOC WATSON 2 p.m. Somerville Theater 55 Davis Square, Somerville Music World (617)876-4275 Sun. Mar. 1
"Pillar of Fire: America in the King Years, 1963-1965"
Kennedy Library and Museum 2 - 3:30 p.m.

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Sun. Mar. 8 Gypsy Music of Romania 3 p.m. Sanders Theater 45 Quincy St., Harvard University Music World (617)876-4275

Sun. Mar. 15
"Spain, Land of Contrasts"
Travelogue
Lowell Memorial Auditorium
2 p.m.
Free Admission

Sun. Mar. 22
"The Trail" Lewis and Clark
Expedition
Travelogue
Lowell Memorial Auditorium
2 p.m.
Free Admission

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Fleet Center
Wed. Feb. 25 @ 7 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 27 @ 7 p.m.
Sun. Mar. 1 @ 7 p.m.

Boston Bruins
Fleet Center
Thu. Feb. 26 @ 7:30 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 28 @ 3 p.m.

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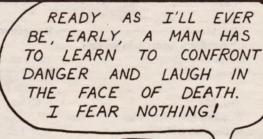
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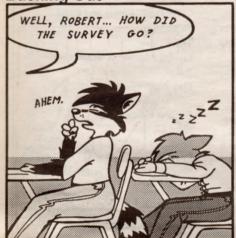


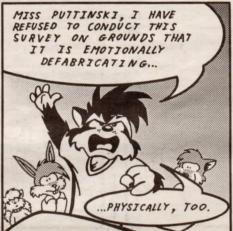






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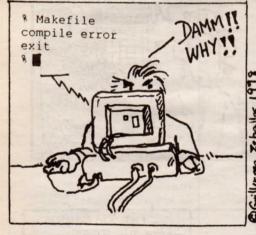


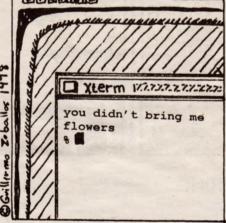


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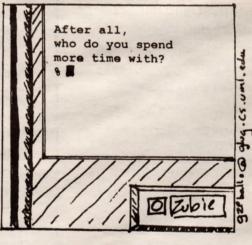




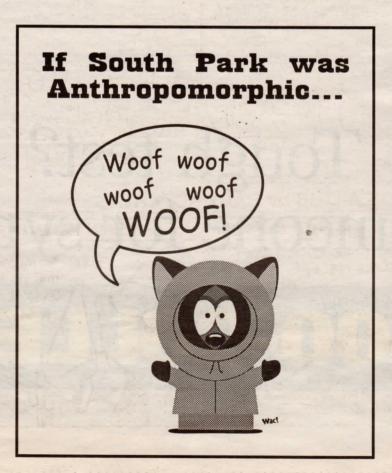












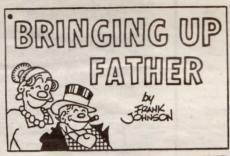




"I'm looking for a job, but not necessarily work."



"Wish that the Dow breaks 10,000 before I have to send you to college."

















GEORGE by MARK SZORADY





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When we were young some of the kids used to force little Joey to bite the heads off of crickets.

If he didn't do it they'd keep punching him in the arm until he did.

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He went to college to become an entomologist.

Who knows what he did alone at night in the labs.



R.F.D. by MIKE MARLAND





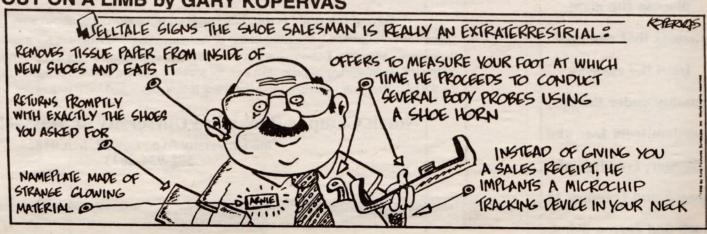
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TO: FACULTY, NON FACULTY AND STUDENTS

FROM: William T. Hogan, Chancellor

DATE: February 20, 1998

SUBJECT: **OPEN MEETING HOURS**

1997-98 ACADEMIC YEAR REVISED

Listed below is a schedule of Open Meeting Hours for the remainder of this academic year. Please note that the date of the March meeting has been changed. It will be held on Tuesday instead of Wednesday.

Tuesday, March 24 - Trustees' Room, North Campus

Wednesday, April 15 - Durgin Hall, Room 309, South Campus

Wednesday, May 13 - Trustees' Room, North Campus

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Sunday, March 1, 1998

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SCREENING DAY

Tuesday, February 24th

McGauvran 334

10am - 4pm

AND

Wednesday, Febuary 25th

Student Health Office

9am - 2pm

Be on the look out for other events and activities by ASAO which will include: February 26 - African American Music Showcase, a movie and dicussion nightevery Wednesday February - 4, 11, 18, 25 in Fox 501 @6:00pm. Other events will include A Spades Tournament, A Students Forum, A Fashion Show, March 5 - A Poetry Expression Night titled "JONES'S", a '70 dance, and a dance group that'll meet every monday after the meetings. The ASAO meetings are held every Monday in Fox 501 at 7:00. That's right after dinner! Come be apart of our ongoing schedule and meet new people. Everyone is invited.

Center web pages: http://www.uml/studsvcs/counseling

There are a long series of events planned for Month Without Violence on campus this semester - you can get a full list from Rhonda Trietsch in the Counseling Center or Mary Connelly in Student Activities.

On April 3, there will be a day-long conference on Prevention of College Binge Drinking. This will be held at the Marriot Hotel in Westborough and is sponsored by a number of offices: the Department of Public Health, the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, the Attorney General's Office, the Northeast College Alcohol Network, the Board of Higher Education, Harvard School of Public Health, the Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention, and the AdCare Educational Institute. We are anticipating sending several student leaders to this conference along with some administrators. For further information, call Dr. Bayliss in the Counseling Center.

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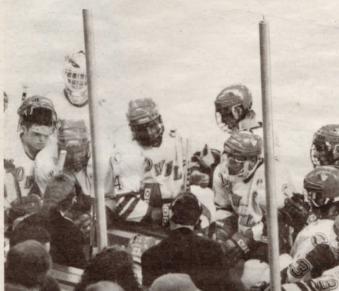
Youth Conference at UMass Lowell Thursday, March 12, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. in 205 Coburn Hall.

There will be a plenary session and four discussion groups to discuss the main themes that emerged from the essays-Equality under the law, Freedom from fear and hunger, Freedom of speech and Freedom to

work and earn a living.

Sports

The ecstasy...



UMass Lowell wins the first game

Photo by Ben Steinbach

by Doug Noworyta Connector Staff

River Hawks flying high after big win at Boston University 5 to 2. The team's play and Martin Fillion's goaltending were the two keys to their big victory over Boston University. UMass Lowell's win stopped a 18 game unbeaten streak at home for Boston University.

Lowell limited BU to one shot in the first 10 minutes of the game. Lowell scored first when Jeff Boulanger go the puck off a rebound at 13:06 of the first period. BU tied the game when Jeff Kealty's slap

shot beat Martin Fillion at 19:03 of the period.

The second period would be one sided in the favor of UMass Lowell. Brad Rooney broke the one to one game when he scored at 5:51. Wil Tormey at 11:37 and Nicholas Carso at 14:24 put them on the list of scorers in the game to give UMass Lowell a 4 to 1 lead.

Lowell raised the lead to four goals when at 4:53 of the third, Shannon Basaraba scored before Albie O'Connell ended the BU spell of no goals at 17:12. That goal made it a 5 to 2 game which is how it would end. Lowell ended up playing their best hockey of the year.

by Joe O'Neil Connector Contributor

On the night of February 14, at 7 p.m. the UMass Lowell River Hawks took on the Boston University Terriers at Tsongas Arena. It was very important Hockey East match-up between the River Hawks and the Terriers who were ranked num-

The River Hawks were coming off the very satisfying 5 to 2 win at Walter Brown Arena on the campus of BU the night before. Everyone was hoping for the sweep. Coach Tim Whitehead elected to go with Scott Fankhouser in goal instead of Martin Fillion, who is their number one goal tender.

It did not take long for the crowd to realize how the game was going to turnout. The top player at Boston University was their forward Chris Drury, who has been one of the top players in New England and the country over the past four years. He has had 103 goals, and it did not take him long to put BU up on UMass Lowell as he scored his fist goal of the game a couple of minutes into the first period.

Later on in the first period, after a second goal for BU, Chris Drury scored his second 12 minutes into the game, to put them 3 to 0 over the River Hawks. After a very ineffective 12 minutes, their was a goal tending change after Scott Fankhouser had only faced 9 shots and allowed 3 goals. Marty came on and held Boston University scoreless for the rest of the period. After the first period the score remained at 0

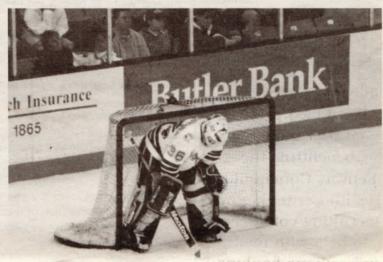
and the agony of defeat

The River Hawks hoped to regroup in the locker room. However, even though they did a much better job defensively, there was no offensive attack mounted by the River Hawks in the second period. UML showed a lack of discipline and had several short handed situations due mainly to retaliations. The score still stood at 0 to 3 after two

periods.

In the third period, outstanding BU forward, Chris Drury, completed his hat trick pretty close to the mid-way point of the third period to make if 4 to 0 for the Terriers. Finally, with about 8 minutes left in the game, forward Greg Koehler scored the only goal for the UMass Lowell River Hawks to make it 4 to 1.

Late in the third period with 2 minutes left, BU scored again leaving the score 5 to 1. River Hawk fans left the Tsongas Arena disappointed after this game. They were hoping for a repeat performance from the night before when the River Hawks delivered a high-energy



UMass Lowell loses the second game.

Photo by Ben Steinbach

Wrestlers slam Plymouth State, Boston College

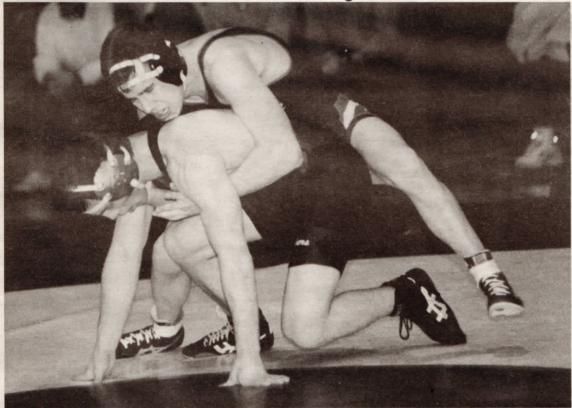


Photo by Jim Seavy

Chris Conroy helping UMass Lowell work its way to victory.

Anyone interested in playing badminton during weekday afternoons. Please contact: Professor Jay Lam x4475 Professor Siu-Lam Lee x2873

by Melissa Sullivan Connector Staff

The 1997-98 regular season ended last weekend for the UMass Lowell wrestling team on a positive note, as the River Hawks of Head Coach Tim Heitzman posted impressive dual-matches victories last Wednesday against Plymouth State (27-2) at Costello Gymnasium and Boston College (36-3) last Sunday in Chestnut

UMass Lowell ends the regular season with a dual-match mark of 10-8 and is ranked eighth in the New England All-Divisions Poll.

There was an impressive turnout for the River hawks Wednesday night at Costello Gymnasium.

The River Hawks improved to 10 to 8, wrapping up the win when T.J. O'Donnell (Lowell) returned to action. He made a 14 to 4 decision in the 177 pound

weight class and beat the Eagles on Sunday.

Also highlighting the meets with dual-match victories were Mike Riley (Lowell) at 118, Chris Conroy (North Reading) at 134, Bob Belanger (Billerica) at 150, Norman Long (Lowell) at 167 and Steve Divirgilio (Saugus) at 190.

Senior Darrin Smith (Malden) triumphed at 126 pounds against Plymouth State, while Brian Tildsley (Wilmington) and Oscar Calderon (Boston) posted victories in the 150, and 158 weight class against Boston College Eagles. Junior Erik Desmond (Lowell) wrapped up-the meet against the Eagles with a win in the heavyweight class.

The 10 dual-match victories is the most for Heitzman's squad since the 1995-96 edition of the River Hawks recorded 12 dualmatch triumphs in route to a second place finish at the NCAA East Regionals.

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Sports in Brief

compiled by Melissa Sullivan Connector Staff

Baseball climbs to 12th in collegiate baseball poll

Even though it has yet to take the field for a game this spring, the UMass Lowell baseball team has impressed the pundits and coaches around the Division II circles early on. The River Hawks' Head Coach Jim Stone are ranked 12th in the latest Collegiate Baseball Magazine's NCAA Division II Poll, which was released on February 16th.

UMass Lowell began the season rated 15th in the Preseason NCAA Division II Top 25 and have climbed for 15th to 13th prior to this week's ranking. The River Hawks begin the 1998 season on Saturday, March 14th against sixth-ranked Saint Leo in Saint Leo, Florida.

Towlson qualifies for nationals

Junior track standout Erica Towlson (Winthrop) has qualified for the 1998 NCAA Division II Indoor Championship in the 55m High Hurdles. Towlson, along with Brendan Finn (Billerica), will compete against the best Division II runners in the United States, slated for March in Indianapolis. Both indoor track teams will be vying for their respective New England Collegiate Conference crowns on Saturday as the league championships are held at Southern Connecticut.

Sports' Spotlight

By Melissa Sullivan Connector Staff

Marc Sullivan

Year: Senior Sport: Soccer Position: Fullback Hometown: Marlboro High school: Marlboro High Major: CJ Nickname: Sully

Favorite Pro Team: Revolution Favorite Athlete: Larry Bird Favorite Actor: Al Pacino Favorite Actress: Gillian Anderson Favorite Movie: Good Fellas Favorite Singer: Bob Dylan Favorite Meal: Pizza

Favorite TV Show: NYPD Blue Hobbies: Watching movies, making fun of people What do you do to relax: Sleep, hang out with my friends

Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Food fight Spring '96

Biggest Wish: To be rich and happy

Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: Winning our first conference game

Best part of your sport: Being part of a team

Hopes for the future: To have a job that pays a lot of money

Three famous people you would invite to dinner: George Washington, JFK, Pele

One famous event in history you would have like to have been at: Signing of the Declaration of Independence If you could do one thing in your life, what would it be: To free the world of pain and suffering

Quote: "Walk softly and carry a big stick"





Year: Senior Sport: Soccer Position: Midfield Hometown: W. Newbury High school: Pentucket Major: HE Nickname: Ottav Favorite Pro Team: Bulls

Featured this week:

Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan Favorite Actor: Robert DeNiro Favorite Actress: Meg Ryan Favorite Movie: Braveheart Favorite Singer: Pink Floyd Favorite Meal: Pizza Favorite TV Show: Party of Five Hobbies: Waterskiing, exercising, painting What do you do to rélax: Paint, listen to music

Melissa Ottaviano

Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Scoring the goal that gave

Biggest Wish: Get into occupational therapy for grad school

the 1st ever woman's soccer team their 1st win.

Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: Being part of a great team

Best part of your sport: Seeing how much the team has improved Hopes for the future: to be happy and successful

Three famous people you would invite to dinner: OJ Simpson, President Clinton, Robert DeNiro

One famous event in history you would have like to have been at: Kennedy Assassination

If you could do one thing in your life, what would it be: Travel to every place in the world

Quote: "Live for the present, don't hope things will change in the

Korkut says good-bye to Costello Gymnasium in style

by Jayson LaValley Connector Staff

In their final game of the regular season, the men's basketball team pounced all over Bridgeport for a 10 point victory. Their winning effort leaves them a disappointing 6-20 overall, and 4-12 in the New England Collegiate Conference. The win though, generated the highest scoring output for the Hawks this year and finished the past month 4-4.

Head Coach Gary Manchel can now relax and prepare his young squad for next season. With the NECC Tournament left, the team should gain experience and some more playing time to come back and continue their winning next year.

Most of the energy and power was generated from senior Ozan Korkut (Istanbul, Turkey) who

lead the freshman laden squad with a career high 27 points. Korkut who says he'd like to bring his game back to Turkey after graduation, hit seven 3pointers to keep the UML crowd on their feet cheering.

In addition to Korkut's prowess behind the arc, freshman Brian Bettano (Methuen) hit 17 points and classmate John Gordon (Sharon, CT) chipped in with 14 points.

On Saturday, the River Hawks traveled to New Haven in first round NECC Tournament play. An upset could make things interesting for the defending champs. Already, Coach Manchel's team has herded losses to number three NECC ranked Southern Connecticut and a powerful Sacred Heart team. The challenge awaits and the Hawks look to play tough and an upbeat team.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS LOWELL STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE 1997/1998

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Thank you for your participation.

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Health — a struggle to win

by Melissa Sullivan Connector Staff

Anorexia and other eating disorders are one of the biggest health problems of women athletes. It is an illness which mocks them with illusion, while they starve their body.

Female athletes along with male athletes wrestle with the demons of becoming overweight.

Anorexia Nervosa is a disorder in which the victim starves themselves. It is related not only to the fear of becoming fat or extreme weight loss, but manipulates the mind to create a distorted body image and failure to recognize how serious the condition is. Constant movement or exercise and low selfesteem also characterize the uncontrollable symptoms of anorexia. Anorexics typically weigh less than 85% of the normal minimum for their age and height, and 95% of them are female.

Bulimia is characterized as binge eating followed with purging by vomiting or use of laxatives. Bulimia, too, includes excessive exercising, and low self-esteem. Consequently, with any eating disorder, the body reacts to a severe lack of fuel. If a person's cells can no longer function neither can the person's organs and vital components to live.

As stated before, eating disorders are easily the gravest health problem facing female athletes. Women athletes are very vulnerable to eating disorders, because of the status they must uphold. Other variables found to be antagonists of weight loss include depression, body dissatisfaction and social anxiety.

The most puzzling conse-

quences of this disease is that women don't get help, because it is not clear to them that they have a problem. An eating disorder is a sign that something is wrong, it is a way to escape from reality for many. It is not the issue of food for the victim, but food is simply a symptom. The illness distorts an individuals way of thinking.

Eating disorders are not primarily a female athlete's disease. It can affect anyone, including males. If you suspect that you or someone you care about may be suffering from an eating disorder, take action before it is too late, contact a local counseling center. What your body can do depends on how you treat it and a healthy physical, psychological and social well-being is the key to satisfaction.

Lady Hawks need to pick up the slack

by Jayson LaValley Connector Staff

The Lady Hawks Basketball team had been riding pretty high on confidence last month, running up a 9-0 New England Collegiate Conference record. That was until their fuel of confidence was lot hitting a 2-4 skid including a loss last week to Bridgeport at Costello Gymnasium. Coach Kathy O'Neil's Lady's are 16-9 overall and 11-4 in the NECC. With the dominance early in the season, the Lady Hawks clinched a bye for the first round in the NECC tournament and represent with a number 2 seed.

Bridgeport outscored our Ladies 75 to 62. It seemed that the Lady Hawks would win the game against the 7-8 Purple Knights as they led the game 52 to 45 at the half. Their momentum gave up and the Purple Knights charged hard in the second half out scoring the Lady Hawks 30 to 17. Bridgeport ends the season 12-13 overall and evens out their NECC record to 8-8.

Senior Sheila Knower took the league's Player of the Year Award and scored 13 points on 4 of 16 shooting. Teammate point guard Marsha Blalock had an exceptional game scoring 13 points and just missing a triple double, adding 6 assists and 6 steals. Also, sophomore Jessica Ouelette hit a career high of 14 points, while freshman Miroslava Raspupovic added 13.

The Lady Hawks look to defend their NECC crown and avenge the Bridgeport loss as they are likely to meet them in the semi-finals.

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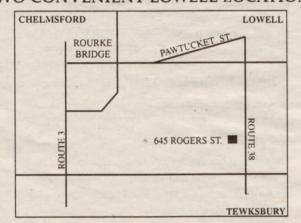
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The Association of Students of African Origin will be hosting events throughout the month of February to Honor Black History Month.

Our celebration of Black History Month opened on Sunday, February 1, 1998 in Mahoney Hall on South Campus with "A Gospel Festival." Five church choirs from Lowell, one Concord High School choir, two soloist and one Spiritual Dance lifted the roof with their song and grace. It was a very spiritually moving kick off to this month. Their selections included 'Silver and Gold', 'Tomorrow ' (by BeeBee and CeeCee), 'I open my mouth', a story of creation, two tribal songs of praise and a Spiritual Dance done by signing. And the list goes on and on.

Ebony Massey, secretary of ASAO, was the night's mistress of ceremonies. She welcomed the evening with a introduction to how Gospel music makes her feel and think. Throughout the evening the audience continued to be wonderfully enthralled by the various groups that sang and danced out their praises.

ASAO provided light refreshments by Aramark during the intermission which was followed by the four groups the would end the evening. In recognition of those the graced the stage that night include Reverend Carl Jones of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Michelle Moody of Boston Church of Christ, New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Combined Choir, Saint Paul's School Choir, International Christian Fellowship Choir and Praise Dancers, North Carolina Inspiritual Choir, Byron Gibbs of New Covenant Church in Boston, and the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church Senior Choir.

Books, videos and more...

If you're looking for diversity materials for course work projects or for writing term papers, help is available through the Reference Desks at O'Leary and Lydon libraries and the Instructional Resource Center on West Campus. Just ask for the annotated bibliography, "Diversity in Higher Education and at the Work Place," recently compiled by the Center for Diversity and Pluralism. This reference book identifies published and unpublished literature that address issues of culture, race, ethnicity, gender, lifestyle, socio-economic status and disability, as they affect education and the work-place.

Included in this reference book is a list of more than 130 books and more than 20 videos that cover various aspects of diversity. The books are at O'Leary Library and are available through inter-library loan. Videos may be borrowed through the Center for Diversity and Pluralism. Both books and videos were purchased in the last few years by the Council on Diversity and Pluralism.

ART HISTORY CLUB

News Releasex

Art History Field Trip to New York City with Dr. L. Cheney

To Visit

Metropolitan Museum of Art

Frick Art Collection

Museum of Modern Art

Saturday, March 7, 1998 Leaving at 7:00 a.m from Coburn Hall Returning at 11:30 p.m. to Coburn Hall Fee \$5

The field trip is sponsored by the Art History Club.

For further information contact Dr. L. Cheney

Alicia or Andrea at xt. 3495

A Black Women we all shoud be Proud of (part 2):

Anna Julia Cooper

In Raleigh, North Carolina, Anna Julia Cooper, often called the mother of Black Feminism, was born a slave in 1858. In 1868, the St. Augustine's Normal School and Collegiate Institute was established in North Carolina. The school, established for the Education of Teacher for freedmen, allowed Anna the opportunity to better her life through education. Despite her scholastic accomplishments, she was discouraged from pursuing a higher education. Nevertheless, she was determined to continue her studies. She was one of a handful of African - American women to graduate from college in 1884 from Oberlin College in Ohio and went on to graduate from Sorbonne in Paris. Anna became a teacher and firmly believed that liberation for African -American women and men was best achieved through education. In 1892, she wrote a book called, A Voice from the South: By a Black Women of the South, in which she wrote, "the world needed the education of men and women to unlock the feminine side of truth, as valid as the masculine side and of equal importance." Anna Julia Cooper also played an active role in the suffrage movement - particularly for the African - American women. She felt that the race as a whole would not be able to improve and or/empower itself if African - American women were not able to vote. She viewed the African - American community as a large extended family and that everyone needed to be responsible for everyone else. Only if African - American men and women worked together would they be able to obtain equality and power. In the 1890s, there arose a number of Black Women's Clubs. Resulting from decades of participation in anti -slavery societies, abolitionist organization, and women's rights groups, the clubs provided African - American women with a voice and outlet to express their needs, goal, and dreams. In 1893, Anna gave a speech at the Women's Congress in Chicago to address, "The Needs and Status of Black Women," after which the National Councils of Women invited the Colored Woman's League of Washington, D.C. in 1964.

This came off the internet.

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READ THE ENCLOSED JOB DESCRIPTION TO FIND OUT THE DETAILS. IF YOU STILL HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL DEAN TAYLOR AT 934-2100.

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- ARE CURRENTLY AN UNDERGRADUATE FRESHMEN, SOPHOMORE, OR JUNIOR AND;
- ARE IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING WITH A CUMULATIVE GRADE-POINT AVERAGE OF 2.2 OR ABOVE

QUALIFYING STUDENTS NOT SELECTED NOW WILL BE PLACED IN AN ALTERNATE POOL, WILL BE GIVEN FIRST CHOICE FOR SUMMER SUPPORT STAFF, AND WILL ALSO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CAMPUS GUIDE POSITIONS, PRIMARILY SERVING IN ON-CAMPUS RECRUITMENT TOURS, OPEN HOUSES, AND RELATED ACTIVITIES.

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The Newly Formed

Task Force on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues

Will have its first meeting Wednesday, February 25th 5pm in McGauvran 334

Issues to be discussed will be: *Electing Chair and Co-Chair

*Creating Sub-Committiees

*Creating a new course on Lesbian and Gay Studies

*Residence Halls - Creating a safer space

*Creating a Resource Center *Creating a g/l/b/t Alumni Association

*Creating a g/l/b/t association for faculty - Is one needed?

*Anything else that you would like to discuss

Questions? Comments? Complaints? E-mailme at bigala@woods.uml.edu, or call at 978-934-5078

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·Bio-Dots

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SCHOLARSHIP

The Don Gagnon Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to an outstanding sophomore, junior and senior based on their academics, community service and student involvement.

Applications will be available beginning Tuesday, February 17, 998 in the SGA Office. Fox 411, The Student Information Centers, and Financial Aid Office.

Completed applications must be turned in to the SGA Office, Fox 411 by 4:00pm on Friday, March 6, 1998.

HOUSING

Roommate Wanted

Newly renovated, Lg 2 bdrm duplex. Good location, off street parking. 5 minutes drive to both campuses. \$350 + 1/2util. Call/ leave message 452-0415.

Roommate Needed

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Attention Sports Enthusiasts

If you love sports and enjoy writing, Contact Melissa Sullivan.

934-5009

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!

The Association of Students of African Origin has scheduled a few events and activities for the month of February.

These events are scheduled as follows: Sunday Feb. 1 A Gospel Festival 6pm - 8pm Welcome Back Jam in the MPR 8pm Friday Feb. 6 Wednesday Feb. 4,11,18,25

Movie and discussion night 8pm @Fox 301 Thursday Feb. 26 African American Showcase 8pm @Cumnock Hall

For more information about our club and events, please feel free to come to our meetings. They are held every Monday at 7pm @Fox 604.

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On Sunday March 1st, help celebrate

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ANNOUNCEMENT

BiGala and the Office of Residence Life are exploring options for housing for GLBT students. If youOre interested or for more information contact Rick (934-5078), Shelly (934-5146), or Rhonda (934-4331). There is a housing deadline so please respond ASAP.

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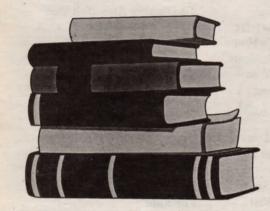
PLEASE CONTACT CATHY AT **EXTENSION 4331**

BE AWARE that MARCH is VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH.

Included in the events of the month will be performances (THE YELLOW DRESS); notable guests (MAURA CULLEN and MARK RUST); workshops (THE CLOTHES-LINE PROJECT); movies (THE ACCUSED); and discussion groups led by U.Mass Lowell faculty. Look for more information here and around campus about next months programs.

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